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In the Application of: **PRINCE**

Serial No: **10/808,693**

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Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING  
USING CONTRAST AGENTS**

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Examiner:

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Dear Sir:

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The attached documents were recently presented by a third party during discussions of, among other things, a patent agreement under the parent patents of the above-referenced application. Notably, it has been asserted by such third party that the attached 71 slides of Dr. Emanuel Kanal were presented at the December 1991 RSNA conference, among others. Neither the inventor nor the undersigned have corroborated that assertion.

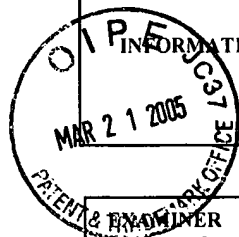
It is respectfully requested that the Examiner make his/her consideration of these documents formally of record with the initial Office Action.

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